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Financing of the United Nations Organization Mission in the Democratic Republic of the Congo

Report of the Fifth Committee

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I. Introduction

1. The previous recommendation made by the Fifth Committee to the General Assembly under agenda item 175 appears in the report of the Committee contained in document A/54/830.

2. The Fifth Committee resumed its consideration of the item at its 72nd, 73rd and 74th meetings, on 26 and 30 May and 2 June 2000. Statements and observations made in the course of the Committee's consideration of the item are reflected in the relevant summary records (A/C.5/54/SR.72-74).

3. For its consideration of the item, the Committee had before it the report of the Secretary-General concerning a preliminary expenditure report of the United Nations Organization Mission in the Democratic Republic of the Congo for the period from 6 August 1999 to 30 June 2000 (A/54/872) and the related report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions, which was presented orally by the Chairman of the Advisory Committee (see A/C.5/54/SR.72).

II. Consideration of draft resolution A/C.5/54/L.79

4. At the 74th meeting, on 2 June, the representative of the Islamic Republic of Iran, coordinator of the informal consultations on this item, introduced a draft resolution entitled "Financing of the United Nations Organization Mission in the Democratic Republic of the Congo" (A/C.5/54/L.79), submitted by the Chairman on the basis of informal consultations.

5. At the same meeting, the Committee adopted draft resolution A/C.5/54/L.79 without a vote (see para. 6).

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III. Recommendation of the Fifth Committee

6. The Fifth Committee recommends to the General Assembly the adoption of the following draft resolution:

Financing of the United Nations Organization Mission in the Democratic Republic of the Congo

The General Assembly,

Having considered the report of the Secretary-General on the financing of the United Nations Organization Mission in the Democratic Republic of the Congo[1] and the related oral report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions,[2]

Bearing in mind Security Council resolution 1291 (2000) of 24 February 2000 concerning the extension of the mandate of the Mission,

1. *Notes* that, by 30 June 2000, only 500 United Nations military observers and 100 civilian support staff out of up to 5,537 military personnel, including up to 500 military observers, as indicated by the Secretary-General in his report,[1] will have been deployed to the United Nations Organization Mission in the Democratic Republic of the Congo;

2. *Requests* the Secretary-General to take the necessary measures with a view to ensuring the deployment of military personnel and the provision of adequate resources to the Mission without any unnecessary delay;

3. *Decides* to reduce the commitment authority provided in its resolution 54/260 of 7 April 2000, totalling 200 million United States dollars gross (199,760,000 dollars net) for the operation of the Mission for the period from 6 August 1999 to 30 June 2000, to the amount of 58,681,000 dollars gross (58,441,000 dollars net);

4. *Decides also* to authorize the Secretary-General to enter into commitments for the operation of the Mission for the period from 1 July 2000 to 30 June 2001 in an amount not exceeding 141,319,000 dollars gross (140,827,100 dollars net), which amount represents the difference between the commitment authority provided in its resolution 54/260 for the period from 6 August 1999 to 30 June 2000 and the reduced commitment authority provided in paragraph 3 above;

5. *Reiterates* its request to the Secretary-General to submit to the General Assembly, in September 2000, a comprehensive report on the financing of the Mission, including full budget estimates and information on the utilization of resources up to the time of the submission of the report, to enable the Assembly to take action on it at the main part of its fifty-fifth session.

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[1] A/54/872.

[2] See A/C.5/54/SR.72.